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Title: CLUSTERED NETWORK DEVICES

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the non-final Office action of 17 December 2004, please amend the above referenced application as follows and reconsider the application in light of the following remarks.

This paper includes (each beginning on a separate sheet):

- 1. Amendments to and/or listing of the claims; and**
- 2. Remarks/Discussion of issues.**